IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-9 as follows.

(Currently Amended) A cover unit comprising:

a first metal cover having at least one side surface; and
a second cover made of a material not compatible to polymeric material
not soluble with the material of the first metal cover;

wherein a tongue is formed on the side surface of the said first metal cover, and wherein the said second cover is formed with a brim covering at least one side surface end of the said first metal cover and with a hole at a position corresponding to the position of the tongue of the said first metal cover.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The cover unit according to claim 1, wherein the said second cover is formed with a projection covering an end surface of the tongue of the said first metal cover.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The cover unit according to claim 2, wherein the projection of the <u>said</u> second cover does not cover the <u>whole entire</u> end surface of the tongue of the said first metal cover.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The cover unit according to claim 1, wherein the brim of the said second cover is formed with a portion covering a part of an outer periphery of the side surface of the said first metal cover.

- 5. (Currently Amended) The cover unit according to claim 1, wherein the said first metal cover is made of a material suitable for ornamentation.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The cover unit according to claim 1, wherein the said second cover is made of a thermoplastic resin.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A recording apparatus for recording on a recording medium to be conveyed, comprising:

recording means for making recording on a recording medium to be conveyed by discharging ink in response to a signal; and

a housing member for forming an apparatus housing,

wherein the said housing member includes the cover unit as set forth in any of claim 1 to claim 6.

- 8. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the said recording means includes an electro-thermal converter generating thermal energy for ink discharge.
- 9. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus for recording on a recording medium to be conveyed, comprising:

recording means for making recording on a recording medium to be conveyed by discharging ink in response to a signal; and

a housing member for forming an apparatus housing,

wherein the said housing member includes a cover unit comprising:

a first metal cover having at least one side surface; and
a second cover made of a material not compatible to polymeric material
not soluble with the material of the said first metal cover,

wherein a tongue is formed on the side surface of the <u>said</u> first metal cover, and wherein the <u>said</u> second cover is formed with a brim covering at least one side surface end of the <u>said</u> first metal cover and with a hole at a position corresponding to the position of the tongue of the <u>said</u> first metal cover.